

## **Minutes of the Public Works Committee - May 29, 2003**

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chair Manke who led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present:** Chair Richard Manke, County Board Supervisors James Behrend (arrived at 8:38 a.m. and left at 9:40 a.m.), Genia Bruce, Hank Carlson, Karl Nilson, Rodell Singert, David Swan

**Staff Present:** County Board Chief of Staff Lee Esler, Legislative Policy Advisor Mark Mader, Legis.Associate Sandra Meisenheimer

**Also Present:** Public Works Director Rich Bolte, Architectural Technician Mike Wells, Engineering Services Mgr. Gary Evans, Planning and Zoning Mgr. Dick Mace, Sheriff Dan Trawicki, Business Mgr. Tom Koth, Inspector Bob Johannik, Deputy Inspector Steve Marks, County Board Supervisor Pat Haukohl, Budget Specialist Linda Witkowski

**Public Present:** Village of Hartland Administrator Wally Thiel, Gregory Good of Town of Merton

### **Public Comment**

Singert reported that he went to a meeting called by the Chief of Police of Muskego. Also in attendance were the Mayor of Muskego, Public Works Director Bolte, Superintendent of Schools and the Business Manager. The discussion centered on parking on Highway Y and how to solve the problem by the next school year. The City of Muskego will be drafting an ordinance through their Public Works Committee which will be forwarded to this committee and the County Board. They will be requesting no parking for a two-hour period beginning at 7:30 a.m. There is going to be a parking lot to the west of the high school construction and the football field for 240 spaces, which should relieve some of the parking. In 2004 there will be capacity for 1,000 cars.

### **Read Correspondence**

Manke addressed the following items:

1. Letter to the editor from Carol M. Jungbluth of Hartland that appeared in the Lake Country Reporter entitled "The county and its million-dollar blunder".
2. Executive Committee correspondence list from the last meeting on May 19, 2003.

### **Future Agenda Items**

1. Singert asked if the Northview issue will be discussed again by this committee. Manke said it really is in the Executive Committee's court now.
2. Manke said he will talk to Director Bolte in regard to Carlson's concerns about some railroad crossings (Lannon Road and Highway K) and an approach for a subdivision. Swan mentioned that the railroad crossing at Highway M is terrible.

### **Approve Minutes of May 15, 2003**

**Motion:** Carlson moved, second by Swan, to approve the minutes of 5/15/03.

**Motion:** Swan moved, second by Behrend, to amend the minutes on Page 4 in the motion by Bruce. After the word "way" add "for Meadowbrook Road". **Motion carried 7 – 0. On the original motion, motion carried 7 – 0.**

### **Approve Bids for Clerk of Courts Building Improvements Project for 5 Phases**

Wells distributed copies and explained the bid recommendations from Fischer-Fischer-Theis, Inc. for Ray Stadler Construction Co., Inc. and from Harenda Enterprises, Inc. for Onyx Special Services. He stated that this is a five-phase project. Two phases are being done with the funds that are available. Three phases were done as alternate bids but not accepted because there wasn't

enough money. The project basically is a facelift to the courtrooms – new carpeting, paint, ceiling tile, lighting, and HVAC, as well as some millwork which involves the bench and jury assembly areas.

**Motion:** Behrend moved, second by Bruce, to approve the bids from Fischer-Fischer-Theis, Inc. for \$254,537 and Onyx Special Services for \$17,158. **Motion carried 6 – 1; Singert voting no.**

#### **Public Comment**

Haukohl asked regarding the Street and Highway Width Map before the committee today, does the County Board have the right to make changes to this map? Manke said yes. Haukohl said regarding the Barker Road extensions to the north and south, the County Board voted several years ago to remove those extensions from the SEWRPC map but they are back again. She assumes it was a collaboration of SEWRPC and the Public Works Department, but she is very disappointed that it is back on the map again. She will make every effort, once again, to propose an amendment to remove the extensions from this map.

#### **Discuss and Consider Proposed Ordinance: 158-O-001 Amendment to Waukesha County Street and Highway Width Map**

Evans and Mace were present. **Motion:** Swan moved, second by Behrend, to remove Proposed Ordinance 158-O-001 from the table. **Motion carried 7 – 0.**

Bruce asked if it was voted to remove a piece of Barker Road from the map, then why is it still on the map? Mace said he doesn't know of any change in the 2020 Transportation Plan that has been adopted that would take it off. You voted not to study it and spend \$90,000. Evans indicated the County Board voted not to go ahead with a full study to look at the whole Racine Avenue/Barker Road corridor, and at the same time to request that SEWRPC de-map that piece of Barker Road. Esler stated that SEWRPC doesn't map or de-map anything. They recommend a jurisdictional and county transportation plan. Esler said to accomplish Haukohl's proposal, there would have to be three amendments to this plan on the County Board floor: 1) to delete the proposed alignment on Barker Road north of Capital Drive, 2) to delete the proposed alignment south of Greenfield Avenue, and 3) to delete the proposed secured alignment at Johnson Road between Racine Avenue and Coffee Road.

To Nilson's question, Esler said he wrote the amendment that was added on to the adoption of the Regional Transportation Plan. It was a directive to SEWRPC saying when the next county transportation plan is released that it not depicts the Johnson Road/Barker Road corridor. Nilson asked where does the county transportation plan fit in the hierarchy of strength compared to the width map? Esler said the general hierarchy from specific to general is the budget, County 5-Year Plan, Street and Highway Width Map, County Transportation Plans, County Jurisdictional Plan, Regional Transportation Plan, County Land Plan, and Regional Land Development Plans.

**Motion:** Nilson moved, second by Carlson, to delete the three proposed segments of Highway Y. A long discussion continued relative to the three segments and related issues concerning these segments. **Motion defeated 2- 5; Behrend, Bruce, Manke, Singert and Swan voting no.**

Behrend left the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Mace referred to No. 4 (from CTH D to the creek crossing south of Genesee Depot) and No. 5 (from STH 59 south to Holiday Road) which involve the area south of the Village of Genesee between Holiday Road and Walnut Street. Mace talked to the Town Chair who said the Town Board voted that way some time ago, and she would like to keep it at 66 ft. down to Holiday Road. Mace also contacted Steve Berg of R. A. Smith, who is the lead consultant in the STH 83 corridor study from Highway 16 to the south county line. It is his position at this point to take no position because they are still in the study phase. The study committee and the State have not reached any conclusions. They're looking at alternatives, going through an environmental impact statement draft on June 10, and then there will be public hearings. There will always be the opportunity when the study committee is finished and final recommendations are made to amend the map where it needs to be.

Evans said there's a huge part of the equation that you're missing which is Trans 233 legislation. This is legislation by which the State controls both access and setbacks from its highways. It would be a good idea for someone from the State to appear to inform everyone how right of way widths and street and highway widths affect what they require from a CSM or setbacks to building.

Swan said from his experience there are very, very, very few people who come running into town halls, city halls, etc., saying wait a minute this house is too far from the road. It's usually the other way around. Therefore, Swan said he believes the best way to plan is so it will be best for the future and that would be to stay with 120 feet.

**Motion:** Singert moved, second by Bruce, to leave the 120 ft. planned width for Highway 83 in No. 5 (from STH 59 south to Walnut Road). **Motion carried 6 – 0.**

Esler commented on his letter of April 30 (*see attached*) regarding Highway Width Map Ordinance 158-O-001. He went on to explain the ordinance as revised.

**Motion:** Singert moved, second by Bruce, regarding No. 76 (from STH 83 north to CTH K) to put the planned link between Arrowhead and Campus Drive on the map. **Motion carried 6 – 0.**

**On the original motion made at a previous meeting, the motion carried 5 – 1; Nilson voting no.**

**Consider Proposed Ordinance: 158-O-020 Create New Capital Project #200329, Metro Unit Relocation, and Modify 2003 Capital Project**

**Motion:** Bruce moved, second by Carlson, to approve Proposed Ordinance 158-O-020.

Bolte, Trawicki and Johannik were present to discuss the ordinance, which authorizes the transfer of \$200,000 of 2003 contingency funds (current balance is \$1,350,000) to create a new capital project for the purpose of moving the Metro Unit of the Sheriff's Department out of the east wing of the Northview Building. Bolte stated the move is necessary before the planned demolition of the east wing can proceed. They have looked high and low and there just isn't 6,000 to 8,000 sq.ft. of space anywhere else that is appropriate. They believe this is the most cost effective approach.

Swan asked when you are finished with the renovation, how do think it will compare to the present space where the Metro Unit is now? Bolte said the new area should be aesthetically acceptable. They are basically renovating the existing area; the space is not being gutted and rebuilt. Trawicki commented that the area involves 8,400 sq.ft., and they are very satisfied with the new location.

**Motion carried 5 – 1; Singert voting no.**

**Discuss and Consider Agreement with Dodge County to Reconstruct CTH P at the Dodge Waukesha County Line (*Agreement attached to minutes*)**

**Motion:** Swan moved, second by Nilson, to acknowledge that the agreement is in progress with Dodge County. **Motion carried 6 – 0.**

**Public Comment**

Bolte stated that they are working with the City of Waukesha on an amendment to the Transit Services Management Administration Agreement. One of the items in the RFP was the county certifying the riders who could use the federal corridor on a condition of disability. The Department of Human Services indicated they are under-staffed and not able to carry this out so a proposal for certification services is being asked for from the City of Waukesha. The final agreement will come back to this committee.

**Verbal Report from Executive Committee Member**

Manke reported on items that were reviewed, discussed and/or considered at the last meeting on May 19, 2003.

**Verbal Report from Committee Member Attending Airport Commission Meeting**

Bruce said there hasn't been a meeting since she reported on the last meeting of May 14. The next meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2003.

**Motion to adjourn:** Nilson moved, second by Singert, to adjourn the meeting at 11:04 a.m.  
Motion carried 6 – 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Genia C. Bruce  
Secretary

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